



**MINUTES OF A REGULAR MEETING
SIGNAL HILL CITY COUNCIL
February 4, 2014**

A Regular Meeting of the Signal Hill City Council was held in the Council Chamber of City Hall on February 4, 2014.

CALL TO ORDER – 6:02 p.m.

ROLL CALL

PRESENT: MAYOR NOLL
COUNCIL MEMBER FORESTER
COUNCIL MEMBER WOODS

ABSENT: VICE MAYOR WILSON
COUNCIL MEMBER HANSEN

CLOSED SESSION

- a. A closed session was held pursuant to Government Code Section 54956.9(b)(3)(A), potential litigation in an undisclosed matter.
- b. A closed session was held pursuant to Government Code Section 54957.6, to discuss labor negotiations with the unrepresented employees.

PUBLIC BUSINESS FROM THE FLOOR ON CLOSED SESSION ITEMS

There was no public business from the floor.

RECESS TO CLOSED SESSION AT 6:03 P.M.

Council Member Hansen entered closed session at 6:18 p.m.

Vice Mayor Wilson entered the meeting at 7:01 p.m.

RECONVENE REGULAR MEETING AT 7:03 P.M.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Mayor Noll led the audience in the Pledge of Allegiance.

CLOSED SESSION REPORT

City Attorney reported on closed session items. Status reports were given and no reportable action was taken.

ANNOUNCEMENT

Mayor Noll made an announcement regarding public comments.

PUBLIC BUSINESS FROM THE FLOOR ON ITEMS NOT LISTED ON THIS AGENDA

Tom Benson, Signal Hill resident addressed Council regarding the recent HOA Meeting at city hall and the Taxpayers Right to Know and Vote Initiative.

Al Gerbina, Signal Hill business owner addressed Council regarding the film permit process in Signal Hill.

Mr. Gerbina exchanged contact information with the City Manager to address issues regarding film permits in Signal Hill.

Carol Churchill, Signal Hill resident addressed Council regarding the recent HOA Meeting at city hall and the Taxpayers Right to Know and Vote Initiative.

Gail Ashbrooke, Signal Hill Librarian addressed Council regarding the upcoming Author Talk on Monday, February 24, 2014 at 7:00 p.m. at the Signal Hill Library.

PRESENTATION

- a. Chief Langston made a presentation regarding a new public service announcement on the police department website and on the local cable public access channel.

PUBLIC HEARING(S)

- a. Six Month Extension of Conditional Use Permit 97-03: Signal Hill Petroleum's Consolidated Drill Sites

City Clerk read the form of notice.

City Manager introduced Community Development Associate Planner who presented the staff report.

Mayor Noll opened the public hearing at 7:25 p.m.

Mayor Noll invited anyone wishing to speak in favor of or in opposition to the ordinance to please come forward.

David Slater, Executive Vice President and COO for Signal Hill Petroleum spoke in favor of the CUP extension.

Mayor Noll closed the public hearing at 7:29 p.m.

Mayor Noll commented on the staff report and future projects.

Council Member Forester and Vice Mayor Wilson asked about the Air Quality Management District, the CUP, and commented on abandoned wells.

Community Development Director and Community Development Associate Planner addressed the questions posed by Council.

Council Member Woods asked Mr. Slater about the CUP extension and the effect on other agencies.

Mr. Slater addressed the question posed by Council Member Woods.

Mayor Noll thanked Signal Hill Petroleum for being a good corporate citizen.

Council Member Woods asked about the CUP and the oil code.

Mayor Noll left Council Chamber at 7:58 p.m. and returned at 8:00 p.m.

City Manager and City Attorney addressed the questions posed by Council Member Woods.

It was moved by COUNCIL MEMBER WOODS and seconded by COUNCIL MEMBER FORESTER to waive further reading adopt Resolution No. 2014-02-6058 approving a one year extension of Conditional Use Permit 97-03 covering seven existing consolidated drilling sites with oil and gas storage, processing and shipping operations, and a gas turbine facility; and a report back to Council in six months.

City Attorney read the title of Resolution No. 2014-02-6058:

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SIGNAL HILL, CALIFORNIA, APPROVING A ONE YEAR EXTENSION OF CONDITIONAL USE PERMIT 97-03 COVERING SEVEN EXISTING CONSOLIDATED DRILLING SITES WITH OIL & GAS STORAGE, PROCESSING AND SHIPPING OPERATIONS AND A GAS TURBINE FACILITY

The following vote resulted:

AYES: MAYOR NOLL
 VICE MAYOR WILSON
 COUNCIL MEMBER FORESTER
 COUNCIL MEMBER HANSEN
 COUNCIL MEMBER WOODS

NOES: NONE

ABSENT: NONE

ABSTAIN: NONE

PUBLIC BUSINESS FROM THE FLOOR

Mayor Noll offered an opportunity for additional public business from the floor.

Gloria Nava, Signal Hill resident asked to speak on an item under Council Agenda-New Business..

b. 2013-2021 Housing Element Update General Plan Amendment 13-01

City Clerk read the form of notice.

City Manager introduced Community Development Associate Planner who presented the staff report.

Vice Mayor Wilson asked about the survey.

Community Development Associate Planner and Community Development Director addressed question posed by Vice Mayor Wilson.

Council Member Woods commented on the report and thanked Community Development Associate Planner.

Mayor Noll opened the public hearing at 8:13 p.m.

Mayor Noll invited anyone wishing to speak in favor of or opposition to the issue to please come forward.

Tom Benson, Signal Hill resident spoke in favor of the resolutions.

Carol Churchill, Signal Hill resident asked about programs for the developmentally disabled and the proposed high density low income housing on Hill Street and Walnut Avenue.

Community Development Director and Community Development Associate Planner addressed the questions posed by Ms. Churchill.

Mayor Noll closed the public hearing at 8:16 p.m.

It was moved by COUNCIL MEMBER FORESTER and seconded by COUNCIL MEMBER HANSEN to waive further reading and adopt Resolution No. 2014-02-6059 approving Negative Declaration 12/27/13(1), relative to General Plan Amendment 13-01, the 2013-2021 General Plan Housing Element Update; and Resolution No. 2014-02-6060 approving the 2013-2021 Update of the General Plan Housing Element.

City Attorney read the title of Resolution No. 2014-02-6059:

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SIGNAL HILL, CALIFORNIA, APPROVING NEGATIVE DECLARATION 12/27/13(1), RELATIVE TO GENERAL PLAN AMENDMENT 13-01, THE 2013-2021 GENERAL PLAN HOUSING ELEMENT UPDATE

City Attorney read the title of Resolution No. 2014-02-6060:

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SIGNAL HILL, CALIFORNIA, APPROVING THE 2013-2021 UPDATE OF THE GENERAL PLAN HOUSING ELEMENT

The following vote resulted:

AYES: MAYOR NOLL
 VICE MAYOR WILSON
 COUNCIL MEMBER FORESTER
 COUNCIL MEMBER HANSEN
 COUNCIL MEMBER WOODS

NOES: NONE

ABSENT: NONE

ABSTAIN: NONE

It was moved by COUNCIL MEMBER FORESTER and seconded by VICE MAYOR WILSON to authorize the Community Development Director to transmit the 2013-2021 General Plan Housing Element Update to the State Department of Housing and Community Development.

The following vote resulted:

AYES: MAYOR NOLL
VICE MAYOR WILSON
COUNCIL MEMBER FORESTER
COUNCIL MEMBER HANSEN
COUNCIL MEMBER WOODS

NOES: NONE

ABSENT: NONE

ABSTAIN: NONE

CITY MANAGER REPORTS

- a. Contract Services Agreement to Conduct Administrative Investigations of Allegations of Misconduct Against an Employee or Employees of the Police Department

City Manager introduced the Police Captain who presented the staff report.

City Council asked if this contract would be for future investigations, services previously used, and the contract services agreement.

Police Captain, Police Chief, and City Attorney addressed the questions.

It was moved by COUNCIL MEMBER FORESTER and seconded by VICE MAYOR WILSON to authorize the City Manager to enter into a five-year contract services agreement with RCS Investigations and Consulting LLC to conduct administrative investigations as directed by the Chief of Police and approved by the City Attorney as to form.

The following vote resulted:

AYES: MAYOR NOLL
VICE MAYOR WILSON
COUNCIL MEMBER FORESTER
COUNCIL MEMBER HANSEN
COUNCIL MEMBER WOODS

NOES: NONE

ABSENT: NONE

ABSTAIN: NONE

b. Resolution Establishing an All-Way Stop Controlled Intersection at 21st Street and Raymond Avenue

Deputy City Manager presented the staff report.

City Council asked about the Sierra Club and other large groups walking on the hilltop, notifying residents of the stop sign, and traffic due to the widening of Cherry Avenue.

Deputy City Manager addressed the questions posed by Council.

Council Member Hansen recused herself and left Council Chambers at 8:30 p.m. to avoid a conflict of interest.

It was moved by COUNCIL MEMBER FORESTER and seconded by VICE MAYOR WILSON to waive further reading and adopt Resolution No. 2014-02-6061 establishing an all-way stop controlled intersection at 21st Street and Raymond Avenue.

City Attorney read the title of Resolution No. 2014-02-6061:

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SIGNAL HILL, CALIFORNIA, ESTABLISHING AN ALL-WAY STOP CONTROLLED INTERSECTION AT 21ST STREET AND RAYMOND AVENUE.

The following vote resulted:

AYES: MAYOR NOLL
 VICE MAYOR WILSON
 COUNCIL MEMBER FORESTER
 COUNCIL MEMBER WOODS

NOES: NONE

ABSENT: NONE

ABSTAIN: COUNCIL MEMBER HANSEN

Council Member Hansen returned to Council Chamber at 8:31 p.m.

c. Scheduling a Budget Workshop Meeting

City Council discussed the annual budget workshop and decided it will be held on Wednesday, May 28, 2014.

CONSENT CALENDAR

a. Warrant Register Dated February 4, 2014

Summary: The Warrant Register is a listing of all general checks issued since the prior warrant register and warrants to be released upon City Council approval.

Recommendation: Authorize payment of Warrant Register dated February 4, 2014.

b. Minutes of the Following Meeting(s)

Regular Meeting of January 21, 2014.

Recommendation: Approve.

It was moved by COUNCIL MEMBER FORESTER and seconded by COUNCIL MEMBER HANSEN to approve the Consent Calendar.

The following vote resulted:

AYES: MAYOR NOLL
 VICE MAYOR WILSON
 COUNCIL MEMBER FORESTER
 COUNCIL MEMBER HANSEN
 COUNCIL MEMBER WOODS

NOES: NONE

ABSENT: NONE

ABSTAIN: NONE

COUNCIL AGENDA--NEW BUSINESS

Council Member Forester reported on his attendance at a recent meeting in Sacramento for the Revenue and Taxation Committee.

Council Member Woods reported on her attendance at the League of California Cities New Mayors and Council Members Academy January 22-24, 2014.

Council Member Woods encouraged residents to check upcoming City Views and the Signal Tribune for information regarding events celebrating the City's 90th Anniversary.

Council Member Woods announced she would like to address emergency preparedness for residents.

Vice Mayor Wilson announced he is meeting with the Salvation Army regarding emergency preparedness.

Vice Mayor Wilson wished his fraternity, Phi Beta Sigma, a Happy 100th Anniversary.

Mayor Noll reported on the recent meeting for Homeowners Association Presidents regarding the Taxpayers Right to Know and Vote Initiative.

Mayor Noll requested agendaing a resolution in opposition to the Taxpayers Right to Know and Vote Initiative.

City Council discussed and agreed to agendaize for the February 18, 2014 City Council Meeting.

Mayor Noll announced the free drop off of Household Hazardous Waste on Saturday, February 8. Residents may drop off at EDCO Recycling & Transfer Facility, 2755 California Avenue from 9:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. The facility also hosts a free and convenient collection of certain waste items on the second Saturday of each month. Please call (562) 989-7355 for additional information.

Mayor Noll announced the Active Adult Excursion to Indio Date Festival and Riverside County Fair on Thursday, February 20. Please call (562) 989-7330 for additional information.

Mayor Noll announced Parents Night Out on Friday, February 14. Please call (562) 989-7325 for additional information.

Community Services Director came forward to discuss Parents Night Out and the Active Adult Excursions.

Council Member Wilson spoke about his fraternity, Phi Beta Sigma.

ADJOURNMENT

It was moved by COUNCIL MEMBER FORESTER and seconded by COUNCIL MEMBER HANSEN to adjourn tonight's meeting to the next regular meeting of the City Council on Tuesday, February 18, 2014 at 7:00 p.m. in the Council Chamber of City Hall, 2175 Cherry Avenue, Signal Hill, CA 90755.

The following vote resulted:

AYES: MAYOR NOLL
 VICE MAYOR WILSON
 COUNCIL MEMBER FORESTER
 COUNCIL MEMBER HANSEN
 COUNCIL MEMBER WOODS

NOES: NONE

ABSENT: NONE

ABSTAIN: NONE

MAYOR NOLL adjourned the meeting at 8:47 p.m.

Michael J. Noll
Mayor

Attest:

Kathleen L. Pacheco
City Clerk